



*Parks, Recreation and
Neighborhood Services*

YOUTH COMMISSION

Commission Meeting Minutes **October 24, 2011**

The Youth Commission of the City of San José convened in regular session on October 24, 2011, in the City Council Chambers of San José City Hall at 6:00p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioner Khan, To, Valerio, Chen, Abad, Yu, Lim,

Absent: Commissioner Dhaliwal

Late: Peddada, and Forooghi

II. APPROVAL OF MINTUES

Moved: To have the June meeting approved at a later date.

M/S Commissioner Chen /Commissioner Abad

Ayes: All

III. CEREMONIAL ITEMS

None

IV OPEN FOUM:

ORAL COMMUNICATION

Gabrielle Antolovich from Voices United updated the commission on status of the Social Host Ordinance. She thanked them for partnering with Voices United and hosting several of the teen forums. According to Ms. Antolovich, the ordinance is one of the City Council's high priority item to review in the next few months.

V. COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT

(Information Only)

Marisa Melo from Councilmember Rocha's office was not present to report.

VI. LIAISON REPORTS

(Information Only)

SJPD was not present to report.

Daisy Porter, youth services manager from the San Jose Public Library invited the commissioners to be a part of the TeensReach group within their districts. She informed them of the Love Your Library project for teens with them and informed them of the upcoming Battle of the Band contest in January 2012. To conclude, commissioners were invited to be apart of the teen focus group to remodel of the teen room in the MKL library.

Senior Commission was not present to report.

Human Rights Commission was not present to report.

Amanda Aldama reported on behalf of the Neighborhood Commission. Ms Aldama, reported that the Neighborhood Commission is reviewing the Rancho del Pueblo Golf course issue and they should have a decision on their recommendation soon after hosting a community forum.

Commissioner Khan reported she was unable to attend the Park and Recreation Commission due to transportation issues and the inability to attend the meetings at various locations.

VII. EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT

Commissioner Chen reported on the Commission's 2011/2012 retreat goals and outcomes.

- a. Commission Retreat Goals were achieved through the process of creating the 2011/2012 Youth Commission Workplan, Identifying Ad Hoc Teams, having team building activities throughout the retreat to create a cohesive team and by planning the YAC training day for the year.
- b. Commissioners identified the following Ad Hoc Working Teams; Education team, City Budget team and Environment team.
- c. YAC Training Day is scheduled for November 19th. This year's training day focus will be policy oriented in order to have all YAC members incorporate a more policy oriented view point of issues they review.

Youth Commission Workshop and Presentation at the Neighborhood Association Conference this year was a favorable one. Commissioners received positive feedback from conference attendees. They look forward to having them return next year.

Yac Training Date is set for November 19th, 2011. Commissioner recapped their duties and responsibilities for this YAC training day. Commission Chair followed up by announcing which commissioners would be responsible for presenting the following Presentations; SJ2020 presentation, Ad Hoc presentation and City Budget presentation.

Commissioner Chair reminded commissioner of upcoming meetings and emphasized the importance of being well prepared for the upcoming YAC training day.

VIII. AD HOC WORKING TEAMS REPORTS

(Information Only)

City Budget Ad Hoc Report – Commission Chair reported that the commission viewed a city budget video in order to gain a greater understanding of the current city budget. Commissioners agreed to gather information from their educational budget training and comprise their City Budget Presentation that will be presented at the YAC training day, a greater audience of youth in order to get a greater input of teens.

Environmental Ad Hoc Report – Commissioner Abad, reported that the Ad Hoc team had finalized their work plan. One of their goals is to network and working closely with the ESD City Department. Another goal is to host an Educational Environment forum in order for youth to learn more about this Environmental issue.

SJ2020 And Safety Ad Hoc Report – Commissioner Dhaliwal was not present to report

IX. COMMISSIONER REPORTS

District 1 – Commissioner Sandeep reported that the D1YAC completed the District One Voice Newsletter. The D1 YAC will hear a presentation from VTA at their next YAC meeting. Commissioner Sandeep also reported that the D1 YAC peer to peer tutoring program continues to do well at the Starbird Youth Center as the Creative Writing program is having a slow but promising process.

District 2 – Commissioner To reported that the D2 YAC finalized the D2 YAC workplan. D2 YAC is in the process of creating a college prep program where they assist those students applying for college. In addition the D2 YAC is planning to have a college forum for all district 2 students.

District 3 – Commissioner Valerio introduced herself to the rest of the commission by informing them that she is excited about fulfilling her role as a Youth Commissioner for District 3.

District 4 – Commissioner Chen reported that the D4 YAC workplan has been created and completed. The work plan holds several strategic goals the YAC would like to accomplish this year. Several of the D4 YAC members attended the I.P.A forum. Commissioner Cheng also reported that the D4 YAC is in the process of establishing an Educational Parent Forum in District 4.

District 5 – Commissioner Abad reported that the D5 YAC work plan has been finalized the D5 Work plan. They are looking for a location to hold their YAC meeting in the district as well as looking at targeting middle school's to start the tutoring program. Commissioner Abad also attend the District 5 Plata Arroyo Meeting and the IPA forum at city hall.

District 6 – Commissioner Yu, reported that he has been struggling in attaining a location to hold the D6 YAC meetings. for the D6 YAC meetings. He attended the Willow Glen Neighborhood Association meeting where there was three Assemble members in Attendance who he network with.

District 7 – Commissioner Huynh introduced himself as the new youth commissioner.

District 8 – Commissioner Dhaliwal was not present to report.

District 9 – Commissioner Lim introduced herself as the new youth commissioners for district and is looking forward to working closely with the commission.

District 10 – Commissioner Forooghi reported that the D10 Work plan has been completed. Commissioner Forooghi attended the IPA forum. Commissioner Forooghi attended and participated at the Neighborhood Association Conference.

City Wide – Commissioner and commission chair, Khan reported that she has been working Closely putting together the YAC training and the City Budget Presentation, and the IPA

forum which as focus on the Freedom of Speech and Cyber Bullying and the Affects of social media on youth. Commissioner Khan continues to work with the Juvenile Justice Pilot Program and is the process of recruiting first time youth offender to work with.

X. ACTION ITEMS

(a). [Review and approval of district specific work plans](#)

District 1 workplan was presented by Commission Peddada.

Moved: To approve the District 1 Workplan with revision to Goal 1, objective D. by Nov. 6' 2011

M/S Commissioner Peddada / Commissioner Forooghi Ayes: All

District 2 workplan was presented by Commissioner To.

Moved: To approve the Rough Draft of the District 2 Workplan with revisions to be done by Nov. 6' 2011

M/S Commissioner To / Commissioner Peddada Ayes: All

District 4 workplan was presented by Commissioner Chen

Moved: To approve the District 4 Workplan with revisions to Goal 1 objective 1, Goal 2 objective 3 and Goal 3 Objective 1.

M/S Commissioner Chen / Commissioner Abad Ayes: All

District 5 workplan was presented by Commissioner Abad

Moved: To approve the District 5 Workplan with revision to Goal 4 objective A

M/S Commissioner Abad / Commissioner Chen Ayes: All

District 8 workplan

Moved: To review and approve at a later date

M/S Commissioner Peddada / Commissioner Forooghi Ayes: All

District 10 workplan was presented by commissioner Forooghi

Moved: To approve the District 10 Workplan with revision to Goal 2 objective 3

M/S Commissioner Forooghi / Commissioner Abad Ayes: All

(b). [Review and approval of Ad Hoc working team work plans](#)

City Budget Ad Hoc Work Plan – presented by Commissioner Khan

Moved: To approve the Budget Ah Hoc work plan

M/S Commissioner Khan / Commissioner Peddada Ayes: All

Environmental Ad Hoc workplan – presented by Commissioner Abad

Moved: To approve the Environmental Ad Hoc work plan with revision to Goal 2 objective 2. By Nov. 6th

M/S Commissioner Abad / Commissioner Yu Ayes: All

Education Ad Hoc workplan - presented by Commissioner To

Moved: To approve the Education Ad Hoc work plan with revision to Goal 1 objective A. and Goal 1 objective B. By Nov 6th

M/S Commissioner Tu / Commissioner Abad Ayes: All

(c). [Review and approval of YAC Training Day project proposal](#)

Commissioners Forooghi presented the YAC training goals and hopeful outcomes.
YAC training day specifically addresses the Commissions work plan Goal 1

Moved: To approve the YAC Training Day project proposal with revision to place a measurable tool to measure success.

M/S Commissioner Abad / Commissioner To

Ayes: All

XI INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

None

XII STAFF REPORTS

(Information Item)

- a.) Independent Police Auditors, Freedom of Speech Forum – Staff reported a favorable outcome of attendees for the Freedom of Speech Forum the commission participated in. As a result of this forum, a request from an Elementary School Principal has come in requesting the Youth Commission to give a presentation on Bullying to the Elementary students of her school. Staff suggested that the Educational Ad Hoc team make contact with the school principal and arrange for this to take place.
- b.) Social Host Ordinance – Staff encouraged the commissioners to contact Voice United if they were interested in hosting a teen forum in their district.
- c.) Budget discussion preparation and next steps – Staff reminded the commissioners to add budget discussions to their YAC meetings agendas in order to inform their YAC members of the upcoming YAC training budget presentation.
- d.) MLK Library Teen Forum - Staff encourage commissioners to attend the Teen Forum and invite their YAC members
- e.) Staff informed the commissioners that they will several presentations at their January meeting. Representative from the Re-use team will come be addressing them at their next meeting as well as a representative from the Mayor's Gang Prevention Task Force will present to them at their January commission meeting. Staff encouraged them have YAC members attend their next meeting.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 8:04pm by Commission Chair Khan.